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Addendum

Note by the Secretary-General

In paragraph 14 of the note by the Secretary-General on the privileges and immunities of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the independence of judges and lawyers (E/1998/94), it is reported that the "Government of Malaysia succeeded in staying proceedings in the four lawsuits until September 1998". In this connection, the Secretary-General has been informed that on 1 August 1998, Dato' Param Cumaraswamy was served with a Notice of Taxation and Bill of Costs dated 28 July 1998 and signed by the Deputy Registrar of the Federal Court notifying him that the bill of costs of the Federal Court application would be assessed on 18 September 1998. The amount claimed is M$ 310,000 (US$ 77,500). On the same day, Dato' Param Cumaraswamy was also served with a Notice dated 29 July 1998 and signed by the Registrar of the Court of Appeal notifying him that the Plaintiff's bill of costs would be assessed on 4 September 1998. The amount claimed in that bill is M$ 550,000 (US$ 137,500).

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